

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented)

A child-resistant package including

a container having a finish with an open mouth, at least one external thread adjacent to said open mouth, and at least one external radial projection on a side of said at least one external thread spaced from said open mouth, and

a closure having a base wall, a skirt with at least one internal thread adjacent to said base wall for engagement with said at least one external thread to thread said closure onto said finish, at least one internal locking lug spaced from said base wall, and an annular wall extending from said base wall at a position spaced radially inwardly from said skirt for resilient internal engagement with said open mouth of said container, said at least one internal locking lug being engageable with said at least one radial projection when said closure is fully threaded onto said finish of said container and resiliency of said annular wall holding said at least one internal locking lug in engagement with said at least one external radial projection,

said closure including at least one internal stop lug on said skirt adjacent to but spaced from said at least one internal locking lug on said skirt for engagement with said at least one external radial projection on said finish to prevent over-tightening of said closure on said finish of said container.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented)

The package set forth in claim 4 wherein said at least one external radial projection on said finish has a tangential leg portion and an axial leg portion at a counterclockwise end of said tangential leg portion, said tangential leg portion axially trapping said at least one internal locking lug on said skirt against a spring force of said annular wall.

4. (Original)

The package as set forth in claim 1, wherein said at least one external radial projection is located on a side of said at least one external thread opposite of said open mouth.

5. (Original)

The package as set forth in claim 1, wherein said annular wall is reverse angled from said base wall and terminates in an open end.

6. (Original)

The package as set forth in claim 5, wherein said annular wall includes an outer surface and an angled surface between said outer surface and said open end.

7. (Original)

The package as set forth in claim 6, wherein said open mouth is at least partially defined by an angled surface that cooperates with said angled surface of said annular wall of said closure to produce a spring force that tends to separate said closure from said container.

8. (Previously Presented)

The package as set forth in claim 3, wherein said axial portion of said at least one external radial projection on said container includes a cam surface and said at least one internal locking lug of said closure includes a cam surface, and wherein said cam surfaces cooperate to initially engage said at least one external radial projection and said at least one locking lug for securing said closure to said container in a child resistant manner.

9. (Previously Presented)

A child-resistant closure having
a base wall,
a skirt with at least one internal thread adjacent to said base wall for engagement with at least one external thread on a container finish to thread said closure onto said container finish,
an annular wall extending from said base wall at a position spaced radially inwardly from said skirt for resilient internal engagement with an open mouth of said container finish,
and

at least one internal locking lug spaced from said base wall, said at least one internal locking lug being engageable with an external projection on said container finish when said closure is threaded onto said container finish and resiliency of said annular wall holds said at least one internal locking lug in axial engagement with said external projection,

said closure including at least one internal stop lug on said skirt adjacent to but spaced from said at least one internal locking lug on said skirt for engagement with the external projection to prevent over-tightening of said closure on the container finish.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Original)

The closure as set forth in claim 9, wherein said annular wall is reverse angled from said base wall and terminates in an open end.

12. (Original)

The closure as set forth in claim 11, wherein said annular wall includes an outer surface and an angled surface between said outer surface and said open end.

13. (Currently Amended)

A container having a finish with an open mouth ~~defined at least in part~~ surrounded by an end and an internal tapered surface that extends to said end, at least one external thread adjacent to said open mouth, and at least one external radial projection on a side of said at least one external thread spaced from said open mouth, said at least one external radial projection having a cam surface for interengagement with a cam surface of an internal locking lug of a closure.

14. (Cancelled)